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## LUCIEN P. GARRETT ACCEPTS POSITION AT DETROIT Y. M. C. A.

The St. Antoine Branch Y. M. C. A. of Detroit, Michigan, formally opens its \$500,000 building on March 15th. This is the largest and most completely equipped Y for Colored in the country and we all proudly take our hats off to Detroit.

Mr. L. P. Garrett, a prominent figure in the business world of St. Louis during the last fifteen months, member of our Board of Managers, and chairman of the Physical Committee has accepted the position as Physical Director at this new "Y". It will be remembered that Mr. Garrett opened the Physical Department at Pine Street just six years ago and now he returns to the work, at Detroit and will set up the work of the Physical Department there. We predict for Mr. Garrett much success and he leaves Pine Street with the best wishes of everyone.

The Noonday Volley Ball class which was started by Mr. Garrett and to which he has been a regular attendant, gave a luncheon for him on Tuesday immediately following class. There were twenty-two members present and they spent an enjoyable hour together honoring their former leader and friend Dr. G. J. Dixon was toast master and his witty remarks were the source of much enjoyment. Various members of the class spoke and all were lavish in their expressions of success to Mr. Garrett in his new field.

## MISS THELMA C. HARRIS SINGS AT PINE STREET SUNDAY

Miss Thelma C. Harris, with her excellent voice, will render the special musical selections at Pine Street Sunday, March 8th, 4:00 p. m.

## DR. JOHN H. GRANT AT PINE STREET SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH

Dr. John H. Grant, pastor Wayman A. M. E. Church will deliver his first city-wide popular address at Pine Street Branch Y. M. C. A., Sunday, March 8th, 4:00 p. m. Dr. Grant, has recently accepted the pastorage of this charge succeeding the Rev. A. R. Dobbins. "What Is It That Endures" will be the subject of his discourse. Miss Thelma C. Harris will be the soloist. Dr. James A. Rainey, presiding. The public is invited.

## CHECKER TOURNAMENT AT "Y" MONDAY, 9TH

Class "A" and Class "B" Checker Specialists of the "Pine Street's Blvd." will clash in the first Local Tournament of the year. The tournament will be preceded by a luncheon for the men of both clubs at 3:00 (p. m.) sharp. The Tournament will begin at 3:30 promptly. Great spirit is being manifested in this coming social event at the "Y" Call Promotional office and get in.

## SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF PINE ST. Y. M. C. A. OBSERVED SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND

The Sixth Anniversary, Pine Street Branch of the St. Louis Y. M. C. A. will be observed at the Branch Sunday, March 22nd, 1925. There will be great interest on the part of members and friends of the "Y" to join in the celebration of the Branch's activities and influence in the community during the past six years.

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## Editorials

### THINGS WORK OUT

Because it rains when we wish it wouldn't,  
Because men do what they often shouldn't,  
Because crops fail, and plans go wrong--  
Some of us grumble all day long--  
But somehow in spite of the care and doubt,  
It seems at the last that things work out.

Because we lost where we hoped to gain,  
Because we suffer a little pain,  
Because we must work when we'd like to play--  
Some of us whimper along life's way,  
But somehow, as day always follows the night,  
Most of our troubles work out all right.

Because we cannot forever smile,  
Because we must trudge in the dust awhile,  
Because we think that the way is long--  
Some of us whimper that life's all wrong,  
But somehow we live and our sky grows bright,  
And everything seems to work out all right.

So bend to your trouble and meet your care,

## FIRST POPULAR MUSICAL OF THE SEASON AT PINE STREET SUNDAY MARCH 15TH

Simm's Concert Band will appear in popular Concert at the "Y" Sunday, March 15th, 4:00 p. m. This promises to be an unusual treat of great enjoyment for our friends and members. Reserve the date.

### BIBLE STUDY

Subject for Sunday—"Did Pilot's Decision in the Trial of Jesus Reflect the Romans' Conception of Justice?" led by J. M. Chiles.

Was it possible for Pilot to have prevented the crucifixion of Jesus? There are men today with authority who are seeing men burned and lynched without saying a single word in favor or against. Don't fail to hear him.

How Astronomy may be used to interpret God, led by Mr. L. B. Stephens, was very interesting and inspiring. Several men gave their view concerning the subject. Among them were, Dr. Brown, Mr. C. C. Williams and Atty. J. L. Mc-Lemore.

## DR. HALL ADDRESSES COMMONWEALTHERS AND PULLMAN EMPLOYEES, FRIDAY, 6TH

Dr. Winfield Scott Hall, addresses the men of the Pullman Shops and Commonwealth Steel Plant at Pine Street "Y" Friday, March 6th at 8 p. m.

For the clouds must break, and the sky grow fair,  
Let the rain come down, as it must and will,  
But keep on working and hoping still.  
For in spite of the grumblers who stand about,  
Somehow, it seems, all things work out.  
—Edgar A. Guest.

## DORMITORY VOLLEY BALLERS DEFEAT EAST ST. LOUIS

The Volley Ball Team of Bond Ave. Y. M. C. A. East St. Louis was the guest of the Dormitory Men's class last Thursday night. The visitors numbered twelve strong and from outward appearance they looked the part of a formidable foe.

A series of five games was played and the Dorm boys were the victors in all of them. The evening was pleasantly spent and the East St. Louisans went home determined to turn the tables when we visit them on Tuesday, March 3rd. All the Dormitory men played well from Captain A. G. Lindsay on down. To Phillips, Suggs and Gwynn our south paw "Georgia Peach" belongs the bulk of the credit for the good work of our team.

## "Y" CAFETERIA A HEALTH BUILDER

Certainly the Physical Department has its place in the building of health strength and happiness. But on that same plane stands the Cafeteria without which that most needed platform of Health, Strength and Happiness would be quite incomplete. While the unknown quantity in the "Y" Equation represented by X, might be Physical; the quantity represented by Y, is the Cafeteria. Recently Mrs. Johnnie Moss, joined the Cafeteria Staff as Pastry expert, hence we have the many nice "Eat 'em-up-crusts and all".

Dinner parties, luncheons, special lunches and "3 straits a day" can be secured through the "Y" Cafeteria.

## DETROIT OPENS HALF MILLION DOLLAR BUILDING

News comes as to the opening of St. Antoine Branch of the "Y" for Colored men in Detroit at a cost of \$500,000 March 15th, 1925. Great opportunity for Spiritual, Mental, Social and Physical development for our youth in that great city, now open.

## PINE STREET Y. M. C. A. LEAGUES

### How They Stand

#### Noonday Volley Ball

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Pathfinders	5	2	715
Superiors	5	2	715
Invincibles	2	5	286
Leaders	2	5	286

#### Senior Basket Ball League

K. R. T.	6	0	1000
Cosmopolitans	3	3	500
Scullins	3	4	426
C. R. T.	3	4	426
Black Swans	1	5	167

#### Junior Basket Ball League

Cubs	8	5	616
Buffaloes	7	6	539
Panthers	6	7	462
Wild Cats	5	8	385

#### Elleardsville Pioneer Basket Ball League

Superiors	8	7	528
Excelsiors	8	7	528
Peerless	7	8	462
Triangles	7	8	462

### League Games, Saturday, March 7th

- 10:00 a. m.—Midgets Boys Indoor Base Ball League  
12:00 m.—Noonday Volleyball League Leaders vs Superiors  
Invincibles vs Pathfinders  
3:30 p. m.—Elleardsville Pioneer vs E. St. Louis Pioneers at East St. Louis  
6:30 p. m.—Junior Basket Ball League Cubs vs Buffaloes  
Panthers vs Wild Cats  
8:15 p. m.—Senior Basket Ball League K. R. T. vs Black Swans  
Scullin vs Cosmopolitans  
Public cordially invited.

MARCH is HEALTH MONTH. Every club will give serious attention to HEALTH during the month and two health lectures will be held beginning Sunday, March 15th. "Give a thought to your HEALTH."



## BOYS' DIVISION NEWS HONOR ROLL

Week of Feb. 23rd

**Midgets:** Alvin Goida, Walthall Moore, Edward White, William McCall, Melvin Berry, C. Jerome Brown and Rollie Wells.

**Juniors:** Edward Coburn and William McCullen.

**Seniors:** Artie Simms, Bluma Walker, Chas. Crawford, Otto Waters, Benson Hall and Preston Banks.

**Leaders:** Robert Williams, William Staves and Clifton Horn.

## BENJAMINE BANNEKER

Rooms A, B, and C were filled with older boys last Sunday from 3 to 4 p. m. These fellows were the guests of the Life Builders Club which presented Dr. Winfield Scott Hall of Chicago, who gave them a lecture on "The Secret of Manhood," which they will never forget. If you were not present **YOU MISSED SOMETHING.**

On Sunday, March 8th at 3 p. m., Mr. Herman Dreer, of the Sumner High School faculty, will tell us about the life and works of Benjamine Banneker, after whom Banneker School is named. This is the 5th study of lives of **FAMOUS NEGROES.** **YOU** cannot afford to miss it.

## CLUB NOTES

The Boys Commission held its regular monthly meeting Monday night. They are the fellows who are making this old Division hum.

We had a good time at **PEP CLUB** meeting last Friday—even though we did catch the Pioneers unprepared.

Ol' Waide Norwood seems to have a good bit of pep. And he is always on hand to prove it. Yes, he's a Pioneer.

Eddie Coburn is the leading "point-getter" among the Pioneers. Already he has earned five notches doing his work promptly, neatly and well. Yes, Eddie means business when he takes a pledge when joining a club.

## O. B. C. C. ELECTS OFFICERS

The Older Boys' Co-operative Council held its regular monthly meeting last Monday night at the Y. M. C. A. and reviewed the organization accomplishments, problems and plans after one year of operation. According to the constitution, the annual elections of officers were held and the following persons were chosen for office: President, Charles Cummings (re-elected); Vice-president, Herman Crockett; Recording Secretary, Charles L. Evans; Treasurer (re-elected) Edward Darden; Corresponding Secretary, Henry McCall; Chaplain, Chas. Blackshear; Reporter, Chester Parker; Sergeant-at-Arms, Frank C. Johnson. Look out for great progress and a lively program from this up standing group of young men who represent the churches of our city.

What Midgets and Juniors must do to get on the "Honor Roll:" Attend Sunday School, attend all his "Y" classes, (gym, swim, Bible and educational), attend Special meetings, bring in assigned work, stay out of trouble and be willing to serve. So it is really an Honor to have your name appear in the "Honor Roll." And what's more your parents will be proud to see it there.

**COMRADE DAY** comes **FRIDAY, MARCH 13th.** On that day the Comrades will initiate new members, old members will take the First Degree and be awarded their silver Comrade pins and feast 'til they faint. O, BOY, what a day! Get ready.

**EMPLOYED BOYS DAY** will come on Friday, March 20th. At that time the "Inner Circles" will initiate new members receive their membership cards and start the movement off in a big way for **"ONE HUNDRED NEW MEMBERS BEFORE JUNE 15TH.** And of course, **THEY'LL** eat also.

Well Nubby Baker is grinning thru his dirty face again. C. R. T. spanked the Cosmopolitans last week—Aye "Bake."